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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

My startup technology company uses Sonic for fiber, and we're able to do so for a fraction of what Comcast charges for cable internet access. Slower bandwidth hurts our ability to attract customers given the responsiveness offered by large enterprises, and bandwidth at inflated prices prevents small companies like mine from getting far enough along to establish meaningful competition to the tech Frightful Five. As the ISPs take increasing advantage of a post-net-neutrality world, the argument is that competition in the internet-provision industry will prevent unfair practices. If you choke off that competition, consumers and small businesses are unfairly disadvantaged with no realistic market remedy.

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